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Honorable Paul A. Engelmayer
United States District Judge
Southern District of New York
40 Foley Square
New York, NY 10007

Re: *United States v. Troy Samuels*, 19 Cr. 173 (PAE)

Your Honor:

I represent Troy Samuels in the above-captioned case. I am submitting this letter to request that the Court schedule a conference as soon as is convenient. Mr. Samuels has repeatedly requested that I withdraw as his counsel. Despite my best efforts, the conflict between myself and Mr. Samuels appears irreconcilable.

Due to previously scheduled business travel, I am unavailable on April 19 and April 22. However, I am available on April 23, in the late afternoon on April 25, and on April 26 at the Court's convenience.

Sincerely,

Jessica Ortiz

Cc: Jacob Warren (via ECF)